Have you ever stood by the gay saloon With its foully tainted air? Have you ever watched with curious gaze. The feet that entered there?

Ah, sir, you know who outer there, Our brightest, fairest boys, The dearest thought of a mother's prayers, And the chief of a father's joys.

They are going in for one harmless glass; Perchance for a friendly game; When men like you sustain the cause Do you think the boys are to blame?

They are coming out with poisoned breath, And slow, unsteady tread; But not the boys who entered there-They have given us these instead.

They are hurrying on with quickened pace To lives of crime and woo; They are filing down to drankards' graves Are you willing your boy should go?

Ab, sir, you know the picture irne : You know the fatal end; You have seen the way the victims go; Have you boys you would like to send -N. Y. Pioneer.

### Patents Granted.

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J. M. Mason, Savoy, wire stretcher. B. C. King, Thorp Spring, grain meas

J. H. Hol<sup>\*</sup>ngreen, San Antonio, motor, L. W. Franks, Kyle, bag. H. E. Evans, Marshall, roller cotton press. B. T. Coleman, Hubbard, rotary cultivator.

Hop. J. V. Farwell told his audi ence at the court house of the practical working of Prohibition on the great ranch of the syndicate in the Pan Handle of Texas. They have Prohibition that prohibs there, and all concerned like it. They will also recommend it to all the other ranches. Prohibition is proud of the support of the Texas cowboys. They know what whisky costs and are down on it .- Austin Prohibitionist.

## ABRAHAM LINCOLN IN 1854.

A New Actor on the Political Field-On the Stump in Illinois.

But now a new actor came forward on the political stage in central Illinois; or rather, an old favorite reappeared. This was Abraham Lincoln. Since his return to Springfield from his single term of scrvice to congress, 1847 to 1849, though by no means entirely withdrawn from poli-ties, his active work had been greatly diminished. His congressional life had largely increased the horizon of his observation. Perhaps it had also extended the bounds of his ambition. He had doubtless discovered many of his own defects, and not unlikely had diligently sought to remedy them. The period following had for him been years of work, study and re-flection. His profession of law had be-come a deeper science and a higher reimportant and more renumerative cases. Losing nothing of his genial humor, his

character took on the dignity of a graver tered, whether on the street or in the par-Serene and buoyant of temper, cordial and winning of language, charitable and tolerant of opinion, his very presence diffused a glow of confidence and kindness. Wherever he went he left an ever widening ripple of smiles, jests and laughter. His radiant good fellowship was beloved and sought alike by political op-ponents and partisan friends. His sturdy and delicate integrity, recognized far and wide, had long since won him the blunt, hearty sobriquet of "Honest old Abe. But it became noticeable that of late years he was less among the crowd and more in the solitude of his office or his study, and that he seemed ever in haste to leave the eager circle he was entertaining.

It was in the midsummer of 1854 that

we find him reappearing on the stump in central Illinois. The rural population always welcomed his oratory, made up of ready wit, apt illustration, simple state-ment, forcible logic. His diction was familiar to the ear, his stories were racy of the soil. He never lacked for invita-tions to address the public. His first speeches on the new and all absorbing topic were made in the neighboring town and in the counties adjoining his own. Toward the end of August the candidates for congress in that district were, in western phrase, "on the track." Yates, afterward one of the famous "war governors," sought a re-election as a Whig. Harris as a Douglas Democrat, strove to supplant him. Local posities became active, and Lincoln was sent for in all directions to address the people. When he went, however, he distinctly announced that he did not purpose to take up his time with this personal and congressional controversy. His intention was to discuss the principles of the Nebraska bill.

Once launched upon this theme men were surprised to find him imbued with a new and unwonted scriousness. They heard from his lips fewer anecdotes and more history. Careless listeners who more history. Careless listeners who came to laugh at his jokes sat spellbound by the strong current of his reasoning and the flashes of his earnest eloquence, and were lifted up by the range and tenor of his argument into a fresher and purer political atmosphere. - The Century.

## Costumes of the Hindoo Castes.

for men of Vishnu wear on their foreheads a mark similar to this A, while those of thing else has failed you Shive carry in the center of their fore upon this for certain. heads a round sandal wood dot, which is used by Hindostan women for the same purpose as are the tiny black sticking plaster dots upon the fair faces of our ladies, called "beauty spots." The Vish-nuites and Shivites also carry a distinction in their names. The former take the affix "lengar" to their names, while the latter have "Iyer." Not alone this, the characters of the two are also different. lengars, it is declared, are a self sufficient race, and are noted for their cunning while the Iyers are said to be humbler. more ingenous and more scholarly in-

As the women's names are never known to the outside world, and as they carry no distinguishing marks on their faces, they are known by their dress. A woman of the Vishnu caste wears the folds of her patjama tight across her knees, and thus patjama tight across her knees, and thus
displays a simpely calf, which may be
envied by any waman, though it be hidden by the petticoat. The Shiva woman,
on the contrary, has a loose fold hearing
on the side of her right leg, below the
knee. The material from which her garment is made is of a silky texture, yellowish and red; it is but a single sheet,and forms the entire wardrobe of a noble Brahtain lady, though her prosessions may be vast, her jewels the cuvy of many as European royal family, and her de-scent more illustrious and more uncient than that of any of the erowned bonds of Surope.-Foreign Letter.

The Cuero Star of the 15th istant,

having Judge Pleasants in mind, said : Before our honorable district judge can successfully down fanaticism he must get a new set of sheriffs in his district. During the past week we have seen five of them and of these four are for prohibition.

The following, also from the Star, names one of the sheriffs referred to in the first paragraph, we suppose:

A good one is told on Linn and Urwitz, the anti managers of this senatorial district. They wrote a letter to John O'Neil, the cattle king and sheriff of Calhoun county, in which great confidence was expressed in his ability, patriotism, etc., and requesing him to organize his county in the interest of anti-prohibition. Mr. O'Neil replied, thanking the managers for their complimentary opinions, but as he intended voting for the amendment he felt a delicacy in undertaking the organization of anti clubs.

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